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THE COMING NATION.

BY H. C. GOODRICH.

Down in the fast on-coming years
Breaks forth a gleaming light;
It comes at last, dispelling fears,
And blinded mental sight.

Awake! ye nations of the earth!
Cast fear and doubt away;
The iron fetters from thy birth
Shall fall from thee to-day!

Arise! arise! a world's set free!
A sword of justice high
Doth flash and gleam o'er land and sea
From earth to blue domed sky.

Away! away thy bondage fling!
Away thy doubts and fears!
For all the wide world now shall sing
With joy the coming years.

In line! in line! a great voice clear
Rings round and round the world!
It calls to thee, "Be of good cheer,
Thy flags be all unfurled."

March on! march on! my people one;
O sing thy songs with zest;
Thy God shall light, as noonday sun,
Thy pathway into rest.

Come up! come up! all nations come!
A feast for earth is spread;
Thy cup of joy o'erflows the new
Because the old is dead.

A world's bells ring, ring round the earth;
And joy flows not apart;
For nations now by one new birth
Are joined in hand and heart.

Chicago.

Everything that we have wrought in selfishness shall perish with us, while all that we have done in self-forgetfulness for the good and blessing of others shall live after us.

RELIGIOUS PRINCIPLES OF THE PEACE MOVEMENT.

BY REV. JULIUS E. GRAMMER, D.D., BALTIMORE, MD.

Read at the Sunday Session of the Chicago Peace Congress.

"Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men."

MY FRIENDS — We have met on this day consecrated to high themes and holy resolve, to consider the claims of the Peace Congress and the principles of the Peace movement as consistent with the religion of Christ, and supported by His example and teaching. It is not strange then that ministers of the Gospel should be here, nor are we at a loss for a text on this Lord's Day. The angel sang at His birth, who was the Prince of Peace:

"Peace on earth, good will toward men."

It is an auspicious sign of a great future in the life of this and other nations, that in connection with the World's Fair there should be a Congress whose object is to cultivate "peace on earth and good will toward men."

If there is truth in the sentiment of the poet that "peace hath her victories no less renowned than those of war," we may well strive to add to those trophies which shall eclipse the bloody record of battles.

It is recorded of Wellington that at Waterloo he said "next to a battle lost, the saddest thing is a battle won." The pride, pomp and circumstance of war are all clouded by the tragic fact that so many precious lives have been sacrificed and so much of sorrow and distress have followed in the path of contending armies. What a price has been paid for those victories, which have often been only temporary or at least which could have been won by appeals to reason and justice!

The "World's Fair" is an exhibition of the progress of nations and of a progress made in time of Peace. War has done more to arrest that progress than any other cause that could be named. The Latin proverb is "inter arma, silent leges." And not only is the voice of justice and law hushed in the dread clamors of these death-dealing engines, but virtue and truth, happiness and human sympathy, are all swallowed up in the vortex of hate, ambition and cruel jealousy.

If the spirit of the Bible is to be cultivated and practised, then we are to strive for that happy time foretold, when nations shall "beat their swords into plough-shares and learn war no more." The Redeemer of the world has told us that His reign is to be introduced not by might nor by power, but by His Spirit. Truth is the weapon which shall reach the conscience and heart and intellect of men; and as by a sword of light sever the garments of pride and prejudice and hatred, which hang